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Maria Vizcaino Honored For Service Excellence

Life-long Marfa resident receives award

MARFA, Texas – She moved to Marfa, Texas, at the age of two and never left. For Ms. Maria Vizcaino, God, family, and country are her highest priorities and the pillars of her strength. These convictions have been present throughout her life; serving her church actively, raising two exemplary children, being happily married to the same man for 50 years this coming December, and serving her country as an employee for the U.S. Border Patrol Marfa Sector for over 27 years. Her most current accomplishment is having successfully served on the Equal Employer Opportunity Committee as a Federal Women's Program Manager from December, 1995 to August 27, 2002.

On September 18, 2002, Chief Patrol Agent Simon Garza, Jr presented Ms. Vizcaino a Certificate of Appreciation in front of her peers as recognition for her EEO participation. "Your efforts and dedication are admirable," said Chief Garza. "We are very proud of you."

Ms. Vizcaino contributions to EEO also include serving as a counselor from 1979 to 1985. Back then, she helped employees resolve their concerns whenever disparity in treatment was alleged. More recently, she was responsible for helping staff compile documents to determine the veracity of EEO complaints.

"Her stepping forward and asking for additional work without compensation evidence her outstanding service." Said Ms. Katie Arnette, EEO Manager. "Employees of this caliber are rare in any organization and help make it a better place to work."

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